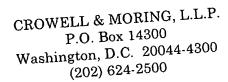


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Box PATENT APPLICATION

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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln. Our Ref: 148/50801

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Continuation Application of pending PCT Application No. PCT/EP00/05824 filed on June 23, 2000 of:

Herbert RUPPRECHT et al.

entitled:

ACTIVE SUBSTANCE-CONTAINING MULTI-LAYER FILM OF HYDROPHILIC POLYMERS CROSSLINKED IN SITU

Enclosed are:

- Specification, including 21 claims (22 pages). 1.
- Application Data Sheet. 2.
- Submission of Certified Priority document 199 32 603.7, filed in Federal Republic of Germany on July 13, 1999. 3.
- Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 of pending PCT Application No. PCT/EP00/05824 filed on June 23, 2000. 4.
- The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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